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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Northern Indiana Public Service Company

Docket No. EL12-49-000

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR DECLARATORY ORDER

Take notice that on March 16, 2012, pursuant to Rule 207 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.207, section 219 of the Federal Power Act, 16 USC 824e, and 824s(a), and Order No. 679, Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO) filed a Petition for Declaratory Order, requesting that the Commission issue an order granting transmission rate incentives related to the Reynolds to Burr Oak to Hiple 345 kV transmission line, a Multi-Value Project approved under the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. Transmission Expansion Plan process.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

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¹ Promoting Transmission Investment Through Pricing Reform, Order No. 679, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,222, order on reh'g, Order No. 679-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶31,31,236 (2006), order on reh'g, 119FERC ¶ 61,062 (2007).

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Comment Date: 5:00 pm Eastern Time on April 16, 2012.

Dated: March 26, 2012

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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